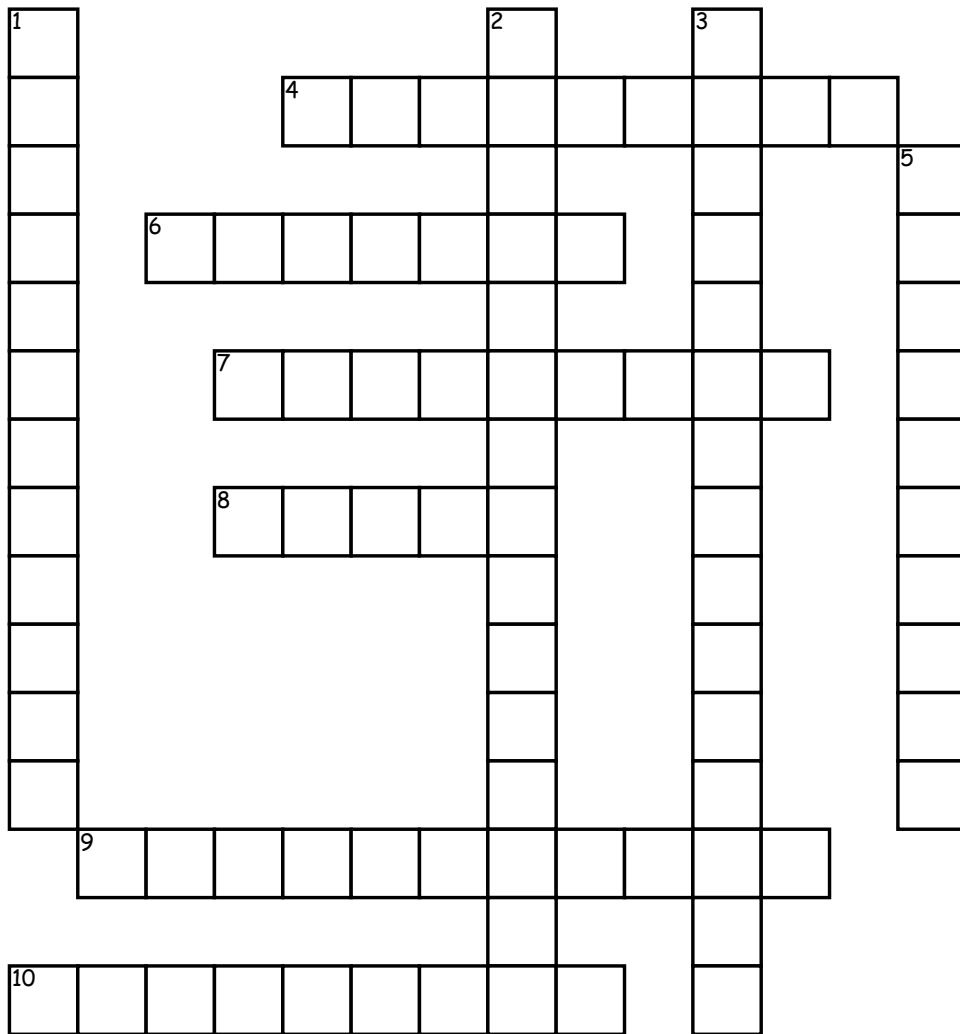


# Balance in Ecosystems



## Across

4. a species that does not naturally exist in an ecosystem
6. this is the place an organism lives in an ecosystem
7. a relationship between two or more organisms that last over time
8. the special role an organism plays in its particular ecosystem
9. the struggle among organisms for the limited resources available

## Word Bank

mutualism  
nonnative  
competition

limiting factors  
symbiosis  
commensalism

habitat  
parasitism

invasive species  
niche

10. a symbiotic relationship that benefits (or helps) both organisms

## Down

1. a symbiotic relationship where one organism benefits and the other is not harmed
2. an organism that is introduced into a new ecosystem accidentally or on purpose by humans
3. things that might restrict the growth of populations in an ecosystem
5. a symbiotic relationship where one organism benefits and the other is harmed